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WOMAN KILLED BY OWN AUTO

City Cuts \$200,000 From Budget, Talks Of Rubbish Charges

The city's proposed 1957-58 budget is several hundred thousand dollars closer to being in balance today after the members of the city council in formal sessions:

1. Agreed that the tax rate would probably have to be raised a little over 1 cent to the maximum \$1 per \$100 of assessed valuation;

2. Indicated that a rubbish collection fee of \$1 per month would have to be imposed;

3. Slashed budgetary requests by about \$200,000 at the first hearing.

Hearings on the budget, due before the Council by the third week in June, began this week with the task of finding nearly \$1 million more, or cutting about that much from the budget requests.

Due in 3 Weeks
City Manager George Stevens presented budget estimates to the Council last week totaling \$3,957,057. At the

same time, he estimated 1957-58 revenues to the city would be only \$3,135,546. The difference—about \$820,000—must be resolved by the time a balanced budget is due three weeks from now.

This week's action by the council, although informal, will guide the city manager in preparing his budget.

In addition to the tax hike and refuse collection fees, the Council informally agreed to look into the city's business license structure with the thought that a graduated tax based on gross sales might be developed.

Slashes Made
Major slashes in the budget came from the four principal city departments—police, fire, streets, and parks. Biggest slash came in the fire department budget. The current fire department budget is \$445,000 and a budget of \$759,000 had been requested. Most of the money would have gone for nearly two score additional men.

The police budget was described by one councilman as "very tight," and it suffered only slight reductions in the first round of hearings.

Park Tax Discussed
A special 2-cent tax for parks and recreation was discussed by the councilmen, but was virtually rejected during the course of the hearing.

Cuts in the unappropriated reserve—set up this year at \$140,000—would be unwise, City Manager Stevens warned. He reminded them of the demands for service which come up each year outside of the budgeted items. Without the reserve, the council could only say, "We're broke," he indicated.

While the council was trying to decide whether to hike the tax one cent to the legal maximum, several members were commenting that the city was "grubbing for pennies." It was pointed out that school taxes may go up for most of the 75-cent override authorized last spring, and that county taxes most certainly would be hiked.

More Hearings Due
Further hearings on the budget proposals will be held during the coming three weeks.

After adoption of the proposed budget, the city must wait until late summer, usually late in August, for its official assessed valuation figures so the budget can be formally adopted and a tax rate set. There is normally no change between the proposed and official budgets.

1500 Visit New Hospital Wing Sunday

More than 1500 persons viewed the new wing of Torrance Memorial Hospital Sunday during an open house, according to Administrator Leonard Ensminger.

Attempts to have the guests register had to be abandoned when the crowds got too heavy, he said.

Finishing touches to the new facilities are being made this week, and use of the wing is scheduled to start next week.

The wing adds a new maternity and surgical section to the hospital along with a modern kitchen and staff facilities.



FINE ARTS BANQUET . . . Torrance High School will hold its Fine Arts Banquet tomorrow night at 6:30 in the Civic Auditorium, featuring a variety show and awards to fine arts students amounting to about \$500. A one-act play written by Bob Brooks, "The Last Trial," story of Joan of Arc, will be presented. In this scene Joan, played by Claudia Smith, is quizzed by Carl Hoybe, Von Hersey, Jim Sena, and Bob Cash.

Somebody Must Be Upset With Weatherman

Somebody apparently is mad at the weatherman.

The Torrance weather recording equipment, located in a small wooden enclosure beside the Torrance Fire Station, Carson and Crenshaw, has been silenced by vandals for the third time in the past month.

The firemen received new equipment this week to replace thermometers broken last week. The new equipment was promptly broken by the vandals. A month ago similar breakage stopped the recording of local temperatures and weather.

Firemen were searching for a new location for the equipment, which must be located carefully in order to get accurate readings.

175 DONORS GIVE BLOOD AT HARVEY

Volunteers of the Torrance-Lomita Branch, American National Red Cross, assisted in processing approximately 175 donors at Harvey Machine Co. last week.

Volunteers under the direction of Mrs. Virginia Jones, bloodmobile chairman, were Mmes. Nancy McNeil, Edna Sharon, Bea Dekin, Doris Hayton, Agnes Babbitt, Faye Leamon, Augustine Livesey, Peg Thomas, and Dorothy Hampton.

Next bloodmobile volunteers will work on June 10 at the Civic Auditorium, 2 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. A request for typists was made. Interested persons may contact the local Red Cross office.

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Victim Caught By Rolling Car

A 79-year-old Shoestring Strip resident died Tuesday as the result of injuries received when her own car slipped and crushed her beneath the wheels.

Dead is Mrs. Emma Becker, 79, of 1629 W. 222nd St. She died at Harbor General Hospital after the accident.

Investigating officers from Harbor Division police said Mrs. Becker apparently halted her car in the driveway while she got out to close a gate.

The handbrake was not set properly, they said, and the car rolled backward, striking the driver down, then continued on into the street.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Stone and Myers Mortuary.

Attacked by Men in Bar, Trio Reports

Three men were attacked by five other men in a bar at 2011 Pacific Coast Hwy., Lomita, they told sheriff's deputies Tuesday.

Carl K. Andrews, 41, Wilmington, said he, William K. Kreitz, 38, Lawndale, and William K. Kreitz Sr., 63, Inglewood, were leaving the bar when one of the customers stuck a pitcher of beer in his face and told him to drink it.

When he refused, Andrews said, the man and his companions attacked the two Kreitzes and himself. One of them hit him on the head with a pitcher, Andrews said, before he ran across the street to get help. The Kreitzes got in the car, they said, when one of the men jumped on the hood, breaking the radio aerial, and someone threw another pitcher through the window.

The three men were treated and released while deputies are seeking the assailants.

City Moves to Halt Resort Hotel Plans

Formal procedures to change the zoning on land intended for a hotel site on Torrance beach to permit only single family residences was ordered by the City Council after spokesmen for the hotel developers failed to convince the city fathers that they planned anything but a "motel-type" operation.

Atty. Norman Sterns, who represented the Don-Ja-Ran

Corp. before the Council, argued that the plans for the development complied with the conditions of the city's restrictions in every respect.

Kitchens Opposed
Center of the argument was the design of the 72-unit structure with kitchen facilities in each unit.

Mayor Albert Isen called the proposal a "fancy motel," and other councilmen joined in with similar and less flattering phrases.

Plans for a public dining room and other public facilities would be drawn when the demand called for it, the Council was told.

Original plans shown to the Council last year during rezoning hearings showed a resort-type hotel, similar in scope to the San Pedro Hacienda.

Motion Renewed
"The Council and residents of the area who were constrained from entering protests to the development last year were hoodwinked by soft talk and beautiful pictures," Councilman Willis G. Blount said.

Councilman Robert Jahn, who had suggested recently that the land be rezoned to R-1, renewed his suggestion as a formal motion this week. It carried unanimously.

Attorney Sterns termed the motion "very unfair," and said it would deprive the property owners of substantial rights.

"My clients have spent a lot of money for developing this property on the basis of the rezoning last year," he said. "The matter was referred to the Planning Commission which must initiate hearings on rezoning."

Ryan to Begin Hiring Monday; Seeks 300 Now

Ryan Aeronautical Co. will begin hiring personnel Monday and expects to begin production by July 1 in the new Torrance plant.

This was announced yesterday by John W. Wallace, industrial relations manager for the Torrance division.

The firm announced last week the acquisition of the 27-acre site which formerly housed National Electric Products Corp. on Lomita Blvd.

Some 300 persons are expected to be hired by September, Wallace said, with employment reaching 1000 by 1958.

To Hire Locally
With the exception of a few key personnel, all employees will be recruited from the Torrance area, officials of the firm said.

Some of the assembly line workers hired within the next week will be sent to the San Diego plant for training, according to Wallace.

Remodeling of the 141,025 square foot plant here already is under way and will continue while employees are being hired.

To Make Jets
The Ryan firm will use the new plant primarily for assembly operations on such major projects as the Douglas DC-8 commercial jet airliner power packages and pylons, and the Ryan Firebee jet drone missile.



(Photo Arts Photo)
HEADS MERCHANTS . . . J. H. Paget, manager of the J. J. Newberry Store in downtown Torrance and active retail and civic leader, has been named president of the Retail Merchants' Assn. to succeed Charley Gotsch who resigned. Named first vice president of the group was A. Robinson, vice president and manager of Lawson's Jewelers. Robinson succeeds George Whittlesey who has moved his business from the downtown area.

'Paint Your Wagon' to Open Friday

A lively musical comedy of the days of early California and the gold rush will be presented starting tomorrow night as the South Bay Civic Light Opera Assn. presents "Paint Your Wagon."

The recent Broadway hit will be presented at Redondo Union High School Auditorium at 8:15 this Friday and Saturday and on June 7 and 8.

Featured in the cast are Ed Knowlton, Helene Seaton, Dean Peters, Pat Myers, Pat Leonetti, Barbara Goodyear, Pete DeCamp and Nadine Nickol. Also cast members are Jerry Roy, William Chickunoff, Paul Marki, John Sanchez, Gino Leonetti, Stan Label, and Harry Johanson.

Melville Tully is musical director, Patricia Coates drama director, and Jan Darten is director of dancers Evelyn Moore, Jean Manning, Betty Willoughby, Cynthia Perkins, Susan Marchant, and Emily Chambers in can-can and fandango numbers.

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JOHN E. McCALL

Former Official Dies

McCall, Former City Attorney, Succumbs at 66

John Edward McCall, 66, city attorney of Torrance for nine years, died Monday at California Lutheran Hospital. He was stricken a week ago.

A resident of Torrance for the past 21 years, he served as Torrance city attorney from 1938 to 1947, and since that time has practiced law in downtown Los Angeles. He lived at 2114 Arlington Ave.

Services will be at 10 a.m. tomorrow in the First Baptist Church, where he was a trustee and member for many years.

Six-Year-Old Knows Value Of Red Cross Blood Banks

Six-year-old Trudy Bolin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bolin, 2415 Border Ave., knows the value of skilled surgeons and the availability of Red Cross collected blood.

Trudy underwent a delicate heart operation at the UCLA Medical Center earlier this year and now is well on the road to complete recovery.

During the course of her surgery, Trudy needed 12 pints of blood.

The blood that was used for Trudy was made available by the Western Eye. Baptist Church group account and the Carpenters Union Local 7140.

Youth Band To Play in Bowl Concert

The Torrance Area Youth (Concert) Band will take part in the Second Annual "Youth Band Festival" to be presented in the Hollywood Bowl Saturday night, June 1st. The Youth Band received an invitation to play in the Bowl in virtue of its "Superior" rating received in the Youth Band Contest held at the Pomona Fair last September.

The band will team up with the Youth Bands of Glendale, Pasadena, Huntington Park and South Gate for the first half of the concert. Misha Bakaleinikoff, musical director for Columbia Pictures, will be the guest conductor for the concert.

Other directors besides James Van Dyck, director of the Torrance group, who will share the podium, include Arthur Babich, director of the L. A. County Band; Dale Eymann, South Gate; Phil Moore, Huntington Park; and Walter Laursen, Pasadena.

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Starts Today!

- Herald Motorcade
- City and Surf

Who? What? Where? Why? When? See Pages 7 and 23 of the HERALD today and make their reading a regular Thursday habit.



YOUNG RECRUITER . . . Checking some of her older friends to see if they've signed up for the June 10 visit of the Bloodmobile here is 6-year-old Trudy Bolin while her mother (left) and Mrs. Lois Martinson "listen in."